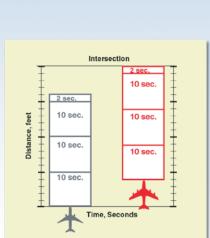


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Multiple Mathematical Representations





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- optional pre- and post-tests
- video clips to introduce students to the nation's air traffic control system.

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